

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
City of Eugene, Oregon

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS: the United States is home to more than 5 million citizens of Norwegian ancestry who have contributed much to the culture, politics and commerce of the nation; and

WHEREAS: the Norwegian community continues to demonstrate its heritage of freedom, independence and cooperation derived from the similar articles encompassed in the Constitutions of the United States of America and Norway; and

WHEREAS: May 17, 2014, marks the 200th anniversary of the adoption of the Norwegian constitution in 1814, the second oldest written constitution in the world, which affirmed Norway's commitment to self-determination; and

WHEREAS: Norwegian communities throughout the world celebrate May 17th in honor of their heritage, and in hope that Norway's Constitution Day reminds us all to appreciate the gifts of liberty, fraternity and peace;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kitty Piercy, Mayor of the City of Eugene, Oregon, do hereby proclaim Saturday, May 17, 2014, to be

"Norwegian Constitution Day"

in Eugene, Oregon, and encourage all residents to observe this day.



Kitty Piercy

Kitty Piercy
Mayor of Eugene
May 11, 2014